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SUBJECT: OFFSET AND BURDENSARING

CITE: DEPARTMENT PASS TREASURY

IN MY MEETING WITH DEFENSE MINISTER LEBER JANUARY 30,
I REVIEWED IN GENERAL TERMS THE CONGRESSIONAL PROBLEMS
WE HAVE WITH RESPECT TO CONCLUDING AN EARLY OFFSET
AGREEMENT WHICH WOULD INCLUDE A BURDENSARING ELEMENT
PROVIDING FOR FRG ASSUMPTION OF LOCAL STATIONING COSTS.
I EMPHASIZED THAT BURDENSARING IS PSYCHOLOGICALLY
IMPORTANT TO THE CONGRESS, PARTICULARLY IN THE LIGHT
OF THE JACKSON-NUNN AMENDMENT AND URGED THAT THE
FEDERAL GOVERNMENT APPROACH THE STATIONING COST
QUESTION WITH AS MUCH FLEXIBILITY AS POSSIBLE.
LEBER AND STATE SECRETARY MANN, WHO ALSO SAT IN THE
DISCUSSION, SEEMED TO BE SOMEWHAT UNCLEAR ABOUT THE
IMPORTANCE WE ATTACHED TO BURDENSARING, AS COMPARED
TO OFFSET, BUT THEY WERE BOTH SYMPATHETIC TO OUR
PROBLEM. LEBER, ONE OF OUR FIRMEST FRIENDS IN THE
CABINET, WAS CONCERNED THAT AN OFFSET AGREEMENT HAS
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NOT YET BEEN REACHED AND WE CAN BE SURE, I BELIEVE,

HE WILL DO WHAT HE CAN TO PUSH FOR AN FRG POSITION
WHICH WILL REMOVE WHAT HE CONSIDERS AN IRRITANT TO
GOOD US-FRG RELATIONS.
HILLENBRAND

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